




The Court has thoroughly analyzed the parties' submissions in light of the entire record. As required by Title 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(c), the Court has conducted an independent review of the entire record in this cause and has conducted a de novo review with respect to those matters raised by the objections. After due consideration, the Court concludes that the objections lack merit.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge (docket no. 120) is ACCEPTED pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) such that Defendants' Motion for Award of Costs (docket no. 113) is GRANTED. The Clerk of Court is DIRECTED to place Defendants' Bill of Costs (docket no. 117-1) on the docket. Plaintiffs may file a response in opposition to the Bill of Costs in accordance with Local Rule 54(e).

It is so ORDERED.

SIGNED this 18th day of September, 2023.

  
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FRED BIERY  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE